

Lattice QCD for Hadronic and Nuclear Physics

NCCS USERS MEETING



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Project Overview - I

- **USQCD Collaboration** is the national collaboration of physicists dedicated to the solution of **Quantum Chromodynamics**, the theory of the **strong interaction** of nuclear and particle physics using lattice gauge calculations. **LHPC** and **NPLQCD** collaborations focus on **structure/spectrum** of hadrons and their **interactions**, respectively.
- Lattice QCD enables the ***ab initio*** calculation of many problems central to our understanding of nuclear and particle physics

Project Overview - II

- QCD is a **Gauge Theory**, characterised by **local symmetry** – c.f. QED

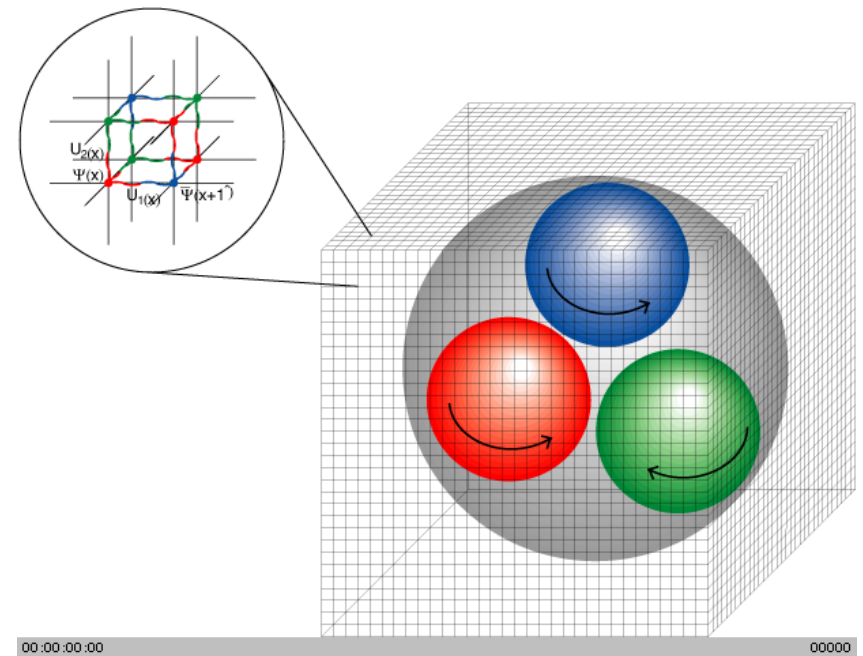
QED	QCD
Photon, γ	Gluons, G
Charged particles, e, μ , u, d,...	Quarks: u, d, s, c, b, t
Photon is <i>neutral</i>	Gluons carry <i>color charge</i> Theory is <i>non-Abelian</i>
$\alpha_e \sim 1/137$	$\alpha_s \sim O(1)$

- Highly *non-linear theory* – can only use perturbation theory at high energy

Asymptotic freedom – 2004 Nobel Prize

Project Overview - III

- Lattice QCD enables us to undertake *ab initio computations of many of the low-energy properties of QCD*
- Continuum Euclidean space time replaced by four-dimensional *lattice* – current typical sizes **$32^3 \times 128$**
- Computations dominated by *inversion of large, sparse matrices.*



$3 \times 4 \times 32^3 \times 128$

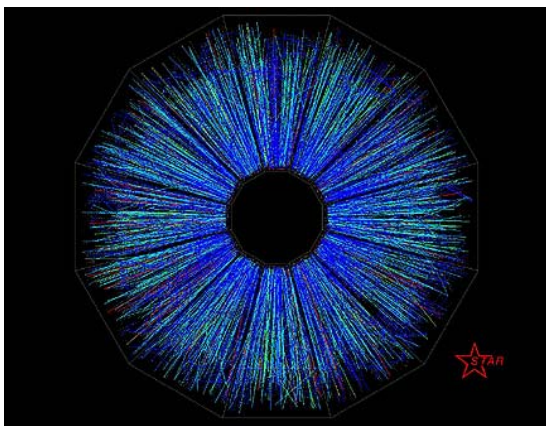
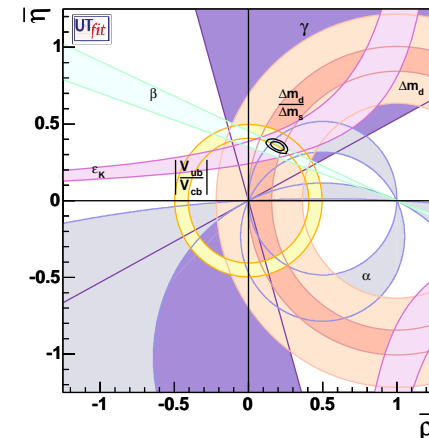
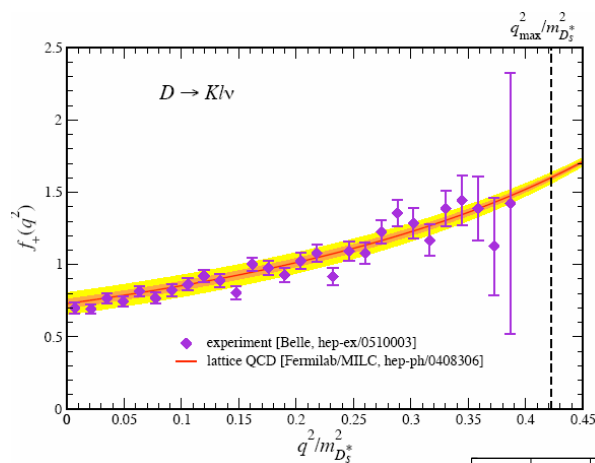
Color spin volume

Highly regular problem, with simple boundary conditions – *very efficient use of massively parallel computers using data-parallel programming.*

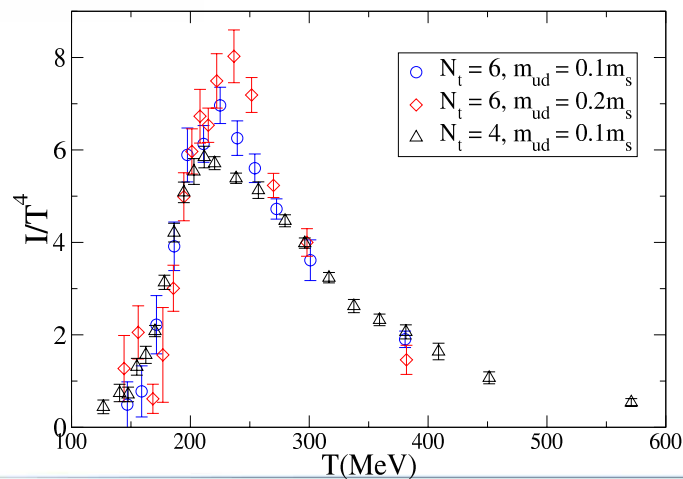
Project Overview - IV



Parameters of **Standard Model: FNAL**



Behavior of matter under **extreme conditions: BNL**

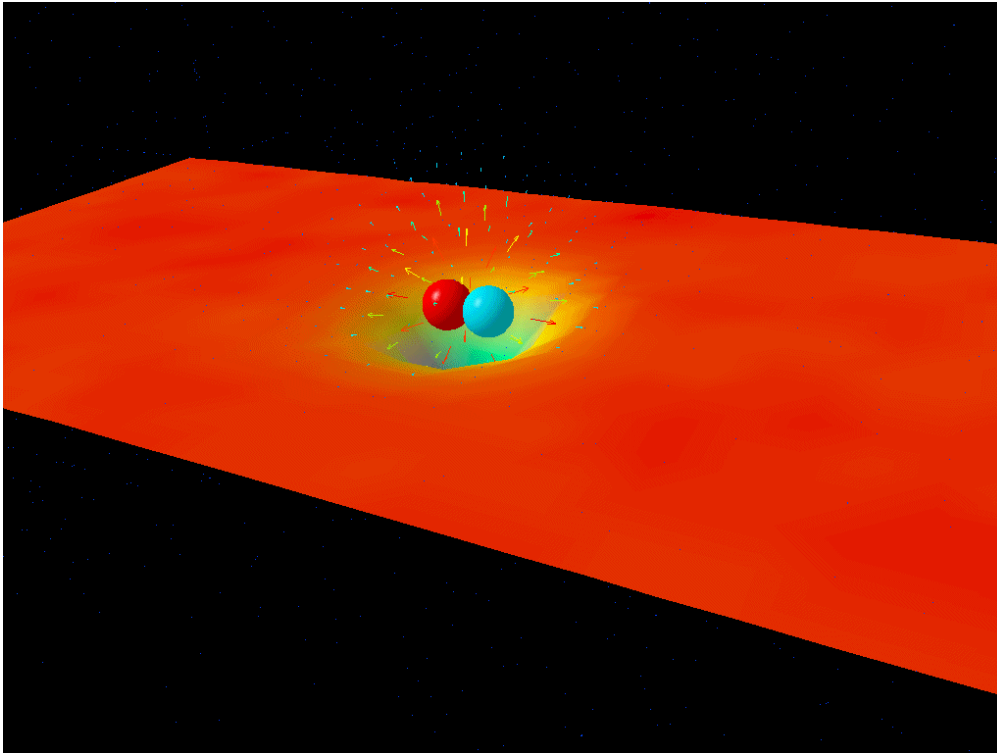


Project Overview - V

- **Generate gauge configurations on anisotropic lattices at light quark masses to enable the spectrum, or excitations, of hadrons and their interactions to be explored. Explore rather than eliminate QCD**
- **Spectroscopy is classic tool for gleaning information about structure of theory**
- **Both experimental and *ab initio* spectroscopy programs aim at *discovering effective degrees of freedom of QCD*, and resolving competing low-energy pictures.**
- **Extend lattice QCD beyond single, isolated hadrons to look at interactions of hadrons and the origin of the nuclear force.**
- **Gauge Configurations can be used across broad swathe of projects in nuclear and particle physics**

Project Overview – VI

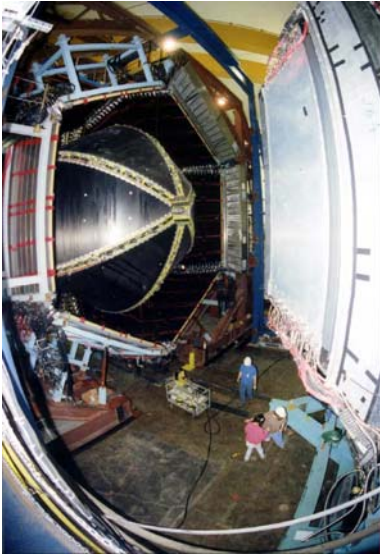
- Visualisations of confinement between a quark and an antiquark by *Derek Leinweber*



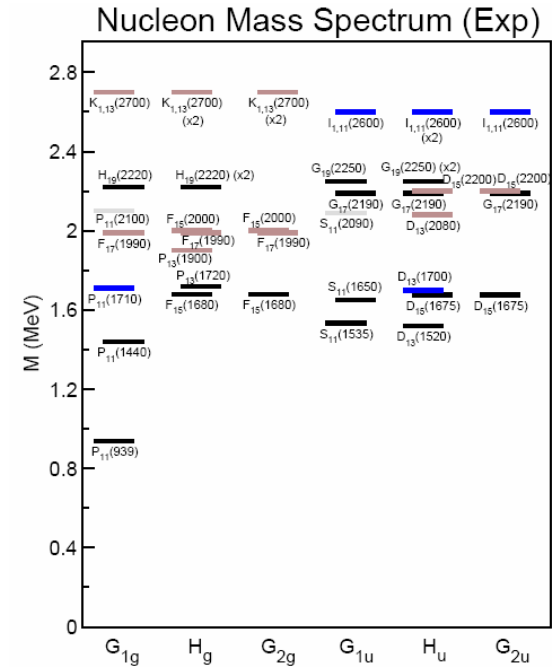
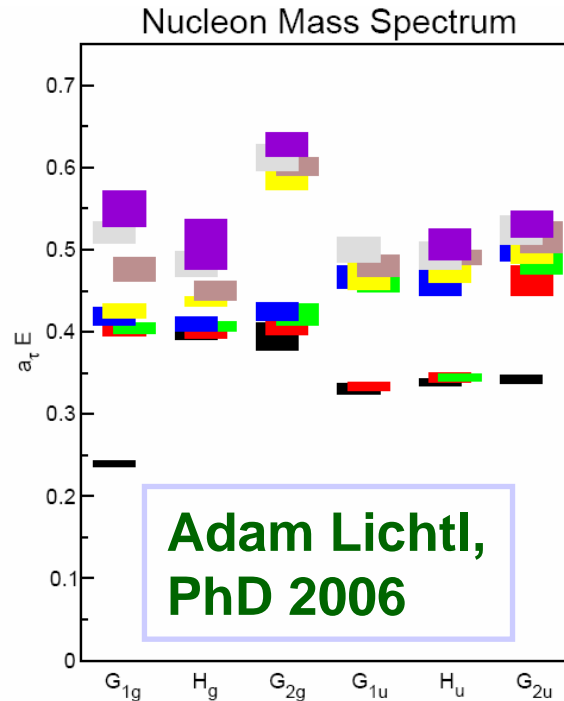
**95% of nucleon mass
is due to binding of
QCD**

<http://www.physics.adelaide.edu.au/theory/staff/leinweber/VisualQCD/Nobel/index.html>

Glimpsing the Nucleon Spectrum - I

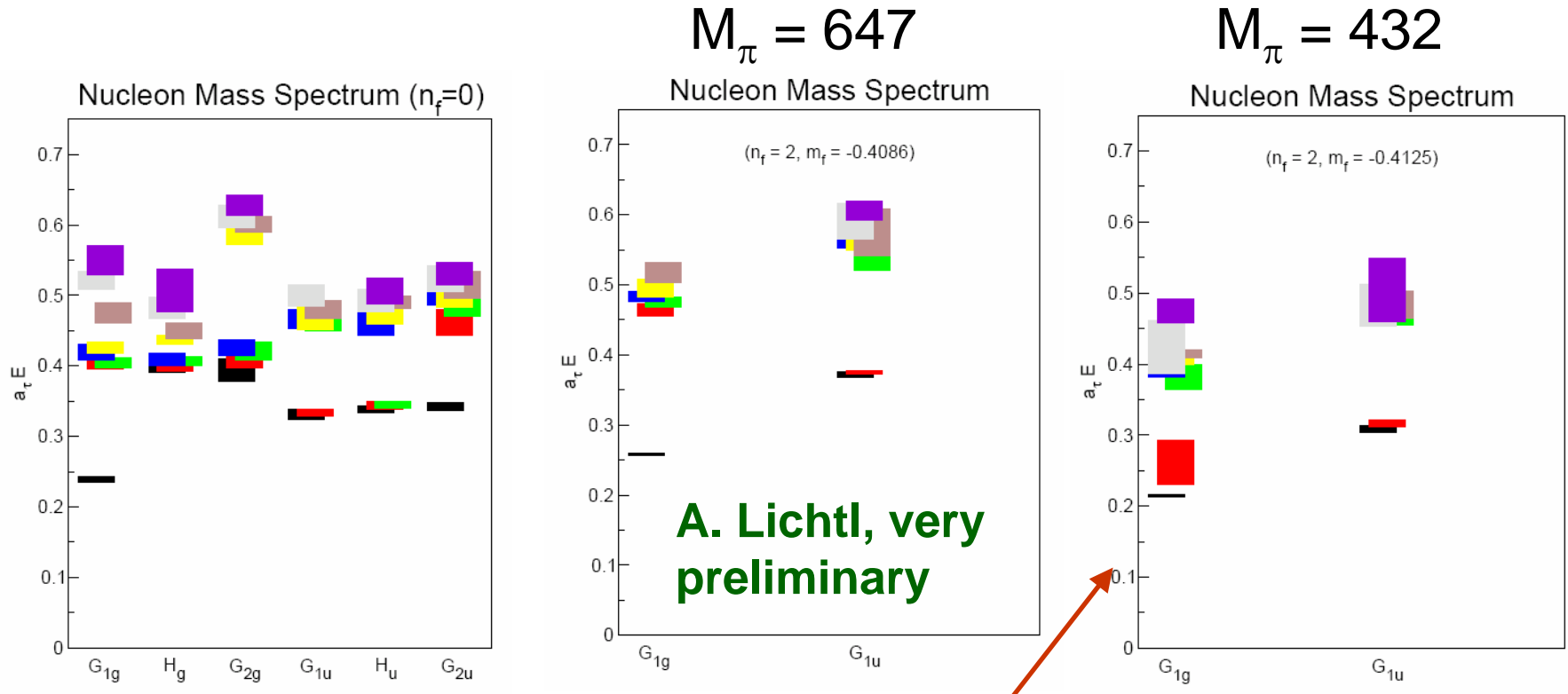


CLAS Detector at Jefferson Laboratory



- Powerful demonstration of our ability to extract as many as eight or nine eigenvalues
- Tantalizing suggestions of patterns seen in experiment

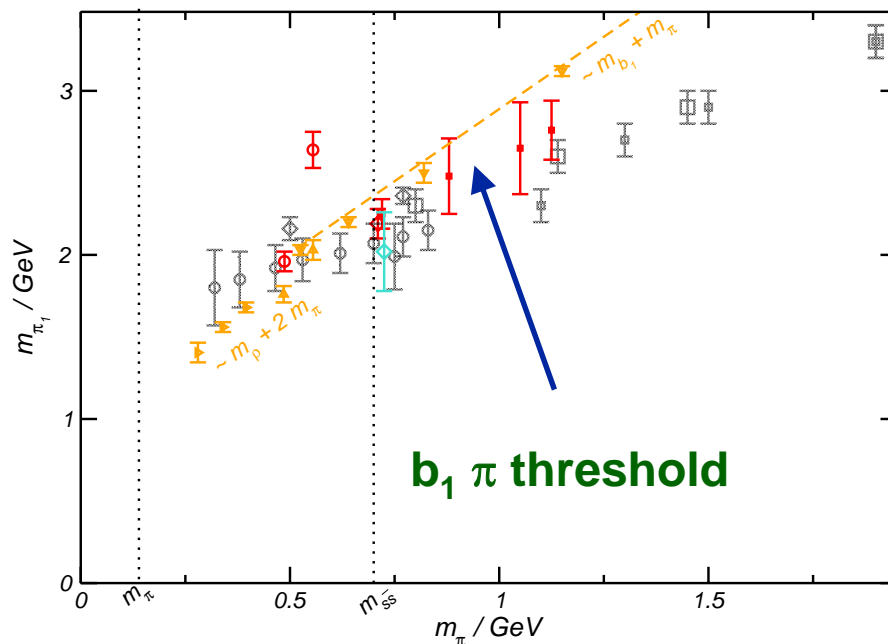
Glimpsing the Nucleon Spectrum - II



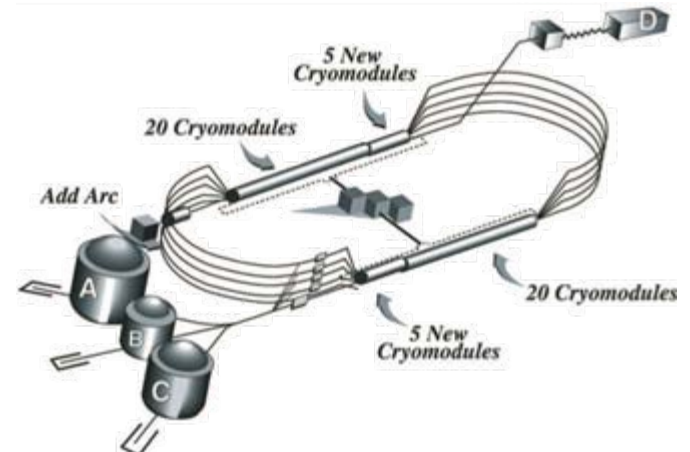
Emergence of **Roper resonance** at light-quark mass

Hybrid Mesons and GlueX

- GlueX at JLab aims to **photoproduce** hybrid mesons in Hall D.
- Lattice QCD has a crucial role in both **predicting the spectrum** and in **computing the production rates**



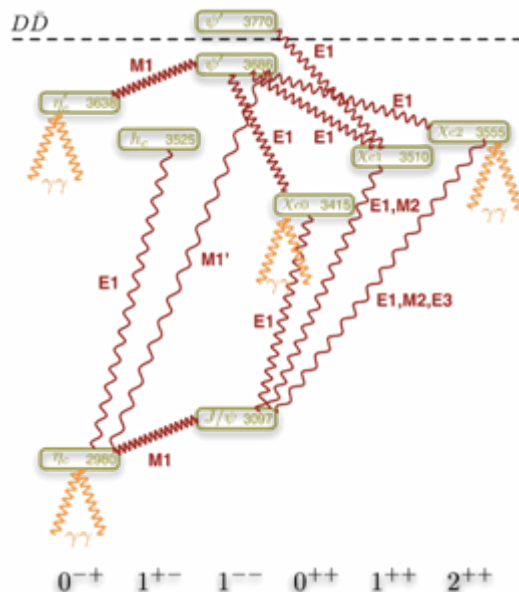
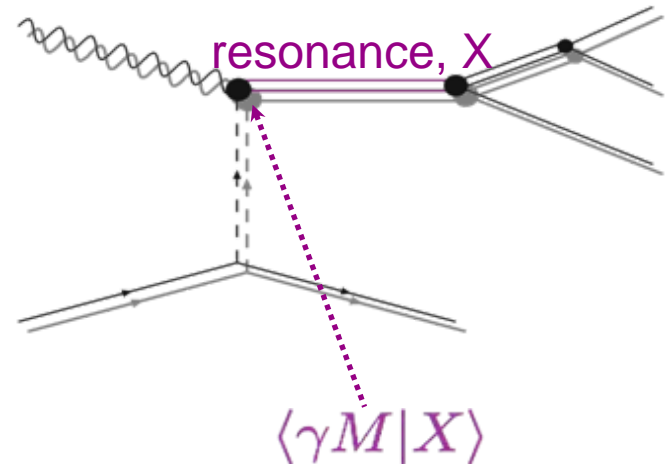
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- UKQCD qnch Clover $\beta=6.0$
- SESAM $N_F=2$ Wilson $\beta=5.6$
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- Only a handful of studies of hybrid mesons at light masses – mostly of 1^- exotic

Hybrid Meson Photocouplings - I

- An important realization of JLab Theorists was that lattice QCD enabled calculation of **photocouplings**
- Guide experimental program as to expected photoproduction rates.



- Initial exploration in Charmonium
 - Good experimental data
 - Allow comparison with QCD-inspired models

Hybrid Meson Photocouplings - II

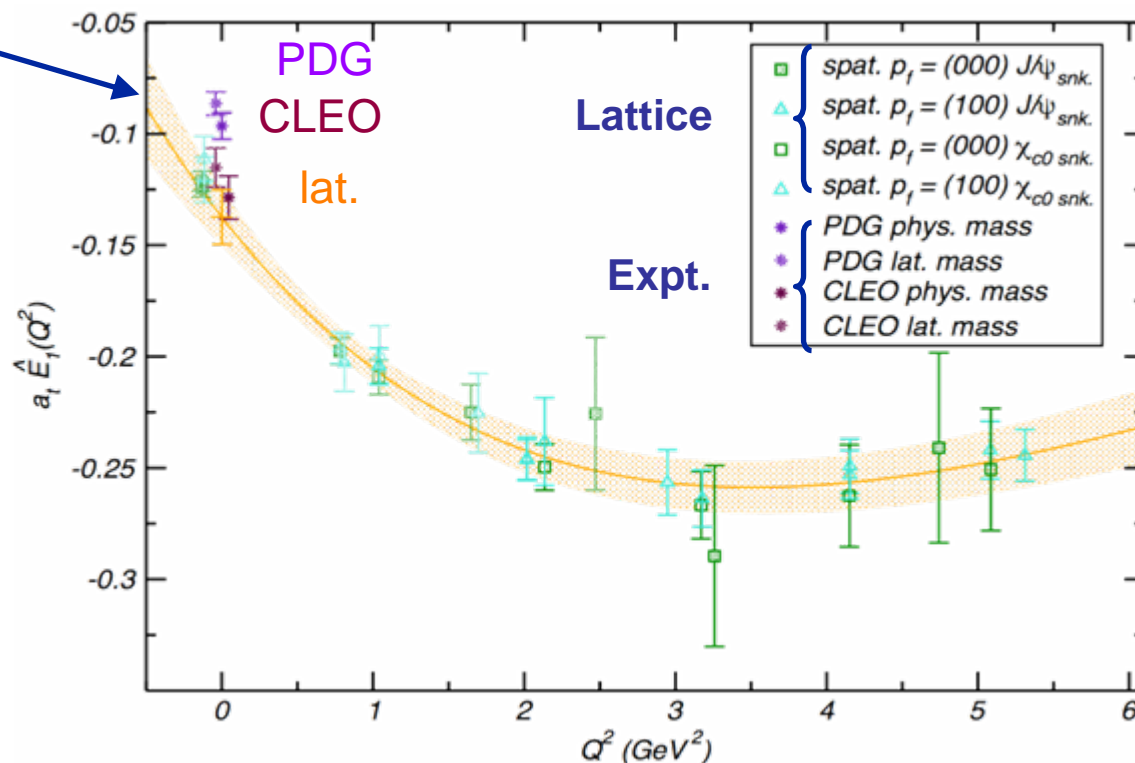
Dudek, Edwards, Richards, PRD73, 074507

- Recent study of transitions between conventional mesons, e.g. $S \rightarrow \gamma V$

$$\Gamma(\chi_{c0} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{|\vec{q}|}{m_S^2} 2 (2e_c)^2 |E_1(0)|^2$$

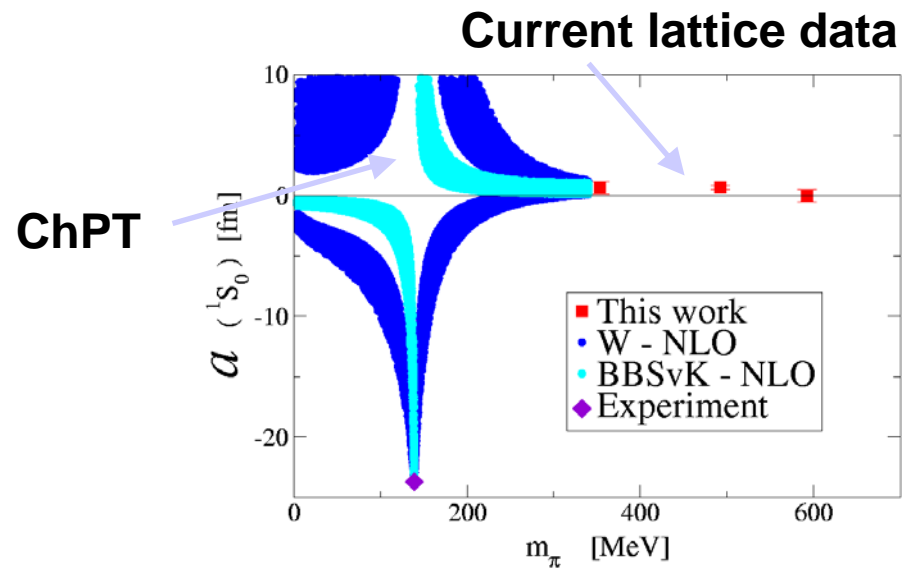
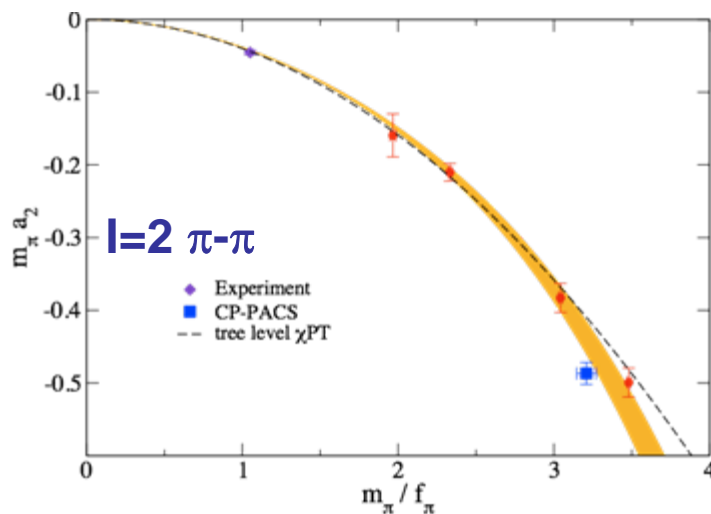
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**Radiative
transitions
in light-
quark
sector**



Origins of Nuclear Force

- Lattice QCD beginning to address nature of origins of nuclear forces
- First dynamical calculation of scattering lengths in 1S_0 channel and $^3S_1 - ^3D_1$ coupled channels by NPLQCD (Orginos et al.).



Computations closer to physical pion mass will enable *ab initio* predictions of scattering lengths

Project Impact

- **Lattice QCD calculation of spectrum of N^* resonances essential to complement experimental searches and identify degrees of freedom of QCD**
 - **Excited Baryon Analysis Center (EBAC) at Jefferson Lab**
 - **DOE HP2009 and HP2012 Milestones**
- **Calculation of hybrid-meson photocouplings in light-quark regime essential input to expectations for GlueX Collaboration at JLAB@12GeV**
- **First steps at an ab initio understanding of NN interaction from lattice QCD: **HP2014 Milestone****

Project logistics

- **Production**

- We aim to run 2K core runs for the $24^3 \times 128$ lattices and either 2K or 4K core runs for the $32^3 \times 128$
- Our jobs can last a long time 12-24-48h

- **Special Software / Libraries**

- Libraries: libgmp and libxml2 are useful but we can and do compile them ourselves
- Compilers: g++ v 3.4.6 would be ideal, but 3.3 will do
- Threading libraries (for when we go multicore?)
- Data: we plan to transfer the data off ORNL

- **Visualization**

- Important for us to consider what to visualize.

Project logistics (continued)

- **Development**

- Code developed – ready to run - but can be tweaked
 - New algorithms (temporal preconditioning etc etc), improved SSE Assembler, possibly multithreading
 - Most development can be done outwith NCCS.
 - Except for the Cray specific stuff.

- **Production Issues**

- Queue throughput worries (will we get enough to use our allocation ?)
- SCRATCH space cleaning removing code/data
 - home directory too small to build code in.

- **NCCS Staff Interaction Expectations:**

- Problem reporting / Some optimization consultancy